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19 March 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Contact with AECASSOWARY-2 on 12 March 1962

1. The meeting between A/2, [] and [] was held in the SR Division safehouse in Washington.

2. A/29 had written A/2 stating he was planning to go to Helsinki for the youth festival and was waiting for the go ahead sign from Washington. A/2 has written A/29 that he is leaving it up to him to get things started.

We discussed the correspondence between A/43 and his Soviet girl friend. It was decided A/43 should write her suggesting a meeting in Helsinki.

A special issue of the AECASSOWARY Information Bulletin in Russian and Ukrainian, and two or three special pamphlets, are being prepared for distribution to Soviets at the youth festival. A/2 plans to ask DS-960 for any ideas he may have in this regard. In general, however, Helsinki activities are being left up to A/29, and details will be discussed with him when he comes to New York and Washington in late March.

3. A/2 has avoided any contact with A/29's girl friend to preclude having her family accuse him of any involvement in A/29's divorce from her sister. His impression is that the girl friend, although not especially attractive, has a good personality and is quite intelligent and that she will be an asset to A/29 in his assignment in Brussels. He is in favor of paying the cost of her transportation to Brussels. The decision as to whether or not she will be used operationally and put on the payroll will be made after they are married and settled in Brussels and if and when A/29 is changed to PCS.

4. A/2 brought up the subject of the novel based on UPA experiences for which [] had proposed Igor GUZENKO as author. [] suggested that a guarantee be made to GUZENKO for a specific amount to be paid him on completion of such a novel and that no money be paid to him in advance. A/2 said he discussed this proposition with friends in Canada when he recently visited there and that they had expressed doubts GUZENKO could be trusted to complete the book. According to A/2, GUZENKO has squandered all the money he received from royalties of his Fall of the Titan, is drinking very heavily these days, and unable to hold any job. A/2 feels it might be a better idea to have one of his emigre contacts gather and prepare the necessary material for such a book which could then be turned over to a competent American writer. He will

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continue to explore various possibilities.

5. Professor Bohdan HALAJCZUK will be returning to Buenos Aires in late April or May. A/2 feels he will be more of an asset to the group in his position as professor in the University of Buenos Aires than he would be as an employee of Prolog. Professor H. is planning to stop off in Caracas for the youth congress in May en route to Argentina and hopes to have a Spanish language issue of PROLOGUE ready for distribution to participants at the congress.

6. The Soviet Ukrainian Dance Company will be appearing at the Metropolitan Opera in New York from 24 April to 12 May. The Ukrainian students organization at Columbia University is planning to issue an invitation to the group to attend a social evening they will sponsor. A/2 is in contact with some of the students in this group.

Contacts with Olesh DORICHENKO in Munich and [] in Brussels were made when they appeared with this group. Other members of the group with whom contact was made in Paris in April 1959 were Pavlo VIRSKY, Director, and Anatole PETRYTSKY, Manager of Scenery. M. Tankina, who appeared as journalist with the group in Paris, has been in letter contact with Ivan KOSHELIVETS. If any of the above named come out with the group again this spring, efforts will be made to reestablish contact with them.

7. A/2 had a letter from the wife of Dr. Roman MOHYL'NYTSKIY (see contact report dated 18 November 1960 for details on MOHYL'NYTSKIY) from Tanganyika recently. She informed A/2 that she was being appointed Assistant Superintendent of Police and interpreter of Slavic languages in the Home Affairs office in Dar es Salaam. This will be brought to the attention of the East African desk, although when they were informed of Dr. M. on a previous occasion, there was no interest expressed in the contact.

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